

One Court of Justice

# **Michigan Supreme Court**

## **2003 Annual Report**

### **District Court**

### **Statistical Supplement**

## Introduction

In the Fall of 1997, the State Court Administrative Office commenced a project to revise the trial court caseload reports. The project was initiated partly in response to the creation of the family division of circuit court, but also to bring more uniformity between the three trial court jurisdictions. This new reporting system was implemented January 1, 2002. For highlights of the new system, an explanation as to what the new data means, and an analysis of the data, see the *Michigan Supreme Court 2003 Annual Report*.

Much of the information in this report is due to the hard work and dedication of the trial courts and their information technology departments, the Judicial Information Systems, and staff of the State Court Administrative Office implementing major changes to the caseload reporting system. These changes included not only the revised reporting requirements but the development of a web application for collecting and reporting caseload data. The willingness of the courts to accommodate this new technology, their patience during the refinement of the web application and the verification process, and the expense to their resources associated with implementing this project is much appreciated. Their many efforts have resulted in a much improved caseload reporting system.

The caseload data for 2003 is provided in both a summary format and a detail format. The summary format is organized under categories that had been used in previous years so that comparisons can continue to be made from one year to the next. A legend is provided which explains under which category case type codes appear in the summary. The detail format shows the totals by each case type code.

Statewide District Court Summary

2003 Court Caseload Report

	Non-Traffic			Traffic		Civil			Parking	Total
	Felony	Misdemeanor	Civil Infractions	Misdemeanor and Civil	OUIL/OWI	Civil	Small Claims	Summary		
Beginning Pending	16,541	95,008	4,905	333,189	12,686	106,956	22,947	33,039	49,548	674,819
New Filings	78,122	336,827	43,821	2,177,780	59,809	298,802	101,680	217,596	332,415	3,646,852
Reopened	32,567	108,136	3,357	169,942	10,580	5,499	2,368	2,170	4,121	338,740
<b>Total Caseload</b>	<b>127,230</b>	<b>539,971</b>	<b>52,083</b>	<b>2,680,911</b>	<b>83,075</b>	<b>411,257</b>	<b>126,995</b>	<b>252,805</b>	<b>386,084</b>	<b>4,660,411</b>
Jury Verdict	17	970	0	148	306	76	0	16	0	1,533
Bench Verdict	4,671	4,949	2,432	135,727	1,428	2,709	13,026	18,210	4,375	187,527
Guilty Plea/Admission/Waiver	14,582	171,535	18,288	1,297,891	48,752	0	0	0	171,051	1,722,099
Uncontested/Dflt/Settled	0	0	0	0	0	210,359	41,587	112,645	0	364,591
Bindover/Transfer	50,442	0	0	0	3,388	882	4,252	72	0	59,036
Dismissed by Party	6,389	55,124	5,545	107,217	2,972	30,515	28,032	55,690	6,494	297,978
Dismissed by Court	3,250	42,466	2,694	140,628	1,421	37,212	15,308	9,401	11,976	264,356
Default	0	0	13,043	500,362	0	0	0	0	137,416	650,821
Inactive Status	31,882	83,896	0	101,958	8,537	3,497	485	228	0	230,483
Local Diversion	425	15,311	0	6,867	324	0	0	0	0	22,927
Other Disposition	0	0	0	0	0	1,797	830	253	0	2,880
Case Type Change	134	954	101	4,771	348	25	55	36	238	6,662
<b>Total Dispositions</b>	<b>111,792</b>	<b>375,205</b>	<b>42,103</b>	<b>2,295,569</b>	<b>67,476</b>	<b>287,072</b>	<b>103,575</b>	<b>196,551</b>	<b>331,550</b>	<b>3,810,893</b>
<b>Ending Pending</b>	<b>15,438</b>	<b>164,766</b>	<b>9,980</b>	<b>385,342</b>	<b>15,599</b>	<b>124,185</b>	<b>23,420</b>	<b>56,254</b>	<b>54,534</b>	<b>849,518</b>

## District Caseload Detail Report - Statewide

01/01/2003 through 12/31/2003

	Criminal				Traffic (Misdemeanor and Civil)								Non-Traffic Civil				Civil					
	EX	FY	OM	SM	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST	OK	ON	SK	SN	GC	GZ	LT	SC	SP	Total
Beginning Pending	69	16107	49409	45599	657	365	5477	167951	86076	6552	39912	39250	45800	4048	3748	857	106591	365	20938	22947	12101	674,819
New Filings	711	75565	207219	129608	4400	1846	252891	170754	298905	30120	572003	136118	310387	32337	22028	11484	297502	1300	214546	101680	3050	3,646,852
Reopened	108	31751	58713	49423	1258	708	3787	62109	65795	5535	9628	32410	3948	3162	173	195	5485	14	2127	2368	43	338,740
<b>Total Caseload</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>123423</b>	<b>315341</b>	<b>224630</b>	<b>6315</b>	<b>2919</b>	<b>345531</b>	<b>1400814</b>	<b>450776</b>	<b>42207</b>	<b>621543</b>	<b>207778</b>	<b>360135</b>	<b>39547</b>	<b>25949</b>	<b>12536</b>	<b>409578</b>	<b>1679</b>	<b>237611</b>	<b>126995</b>	<b>15194</b>	<b>4,660,411</b>
	EX	FY	OM	SM	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST	OK	ON	SK	SN	GC	GZ	LT	SC	SP	Total
Jury Verdict	0	17	253	717	0	0	64	0	62	242	0	86	0	0	0	0	75	1	15	0	1	1,533
Bench Verdict	159	4506	2310	2639	9	6	925	103166	5551	494	25744	1266	0	0	0	0	2602	107	17911	13026	299	180,720
Verdict at Hearing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4047	2166	328	266	0	0	0	0	0	6,807
Guilty Plea/Admission	7	14082	77038	94497	963	493	20550	643531	179954	27239	370212	104194	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,532,760
Admission/Waivers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	164198	10871	6853	7417	0	0	0	0	0	189,339
Uncontested/Dflt/Settled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210000	359	110884	41587	1761	364,591
Bindover/Transfer	307	49044	0	0	3388	1091	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	875	7	65	4252	7	59,036
Dismissed by Party	161	6134	31376	23748	88	94	1423	39735	32615	1461	16351	18516	6004	5140	490	405	30263	252	55122	28032	568	297,978
Dismissed by Court	33	3155	34057	8409	48	62	840	90777	21508	533	21944	6399	11603	2333	373	361	36983	229	9150	15308	251	264,356
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	351415	0	0	148947	0	125061	10085	12355	2958	0	0	0	0	0	650,821
Inactive Status	124	31109	36799	47097	1144	649	2470	5774	64623	4923	993	30568	0	0	0	0	3488	9	208	485	20	230,483
Local Diversion	0	423	11318	3993	2	2	210	4692	1180	112	613	382	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22,927
Other Disposition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1738	59	236	830	17	2,880
Case Type Change	0	130	600	354	29	4	129	1509	1658	190	1006	598	231	88	7	13	22	3	35	55	1	6,662
<b>Total Dispositions</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>108600</b>	<b>193751</b>	<b>181454</b>	<b>5671</b>	<b>2401</b>	<b>266111</b>	<b>1240599</b>	<b>307151</b>	<b>35194</b>	<b>585810</b>	<b>162009</b>	<b>311144</b>	<b>30683</b>	<b>20406</b>	<b>11420</b>	<b>286046</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>193626</b>	<b>103575</b>	<b>2925</b>	<b>3,810,893</b>
	EX	FY	OM	SM	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST	OK	ON	SK	SN	GC	GZ	LT	SC	SP	Total
Ending Pending	97	14,823	121,590	43,176	644	518	7,942	160,215	143,625	7,013	35,733	45,769	48,991	8,864	5,543	1,116	123,532	653	43,985	23,420	12,269	849,518

## **District Court Caseload Annual Report Legend**

### **Non-Traffic**

Felony – EX, FT, FY

Misdemeanor – OM, SM

Civil Infractions – ON, SN

### **Traffic**

Misdemeanor and Civil – OI, OT, SI, ST

OWI – FD, OD, SD

### **Civil**

Civil – GC, GZ

Small Claims – SC

Summary Proceedings – LT, SP

Parking – OK, SK